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SUBJECT:GUIDANCE ON PORTUGUESE GUINEA

REF: STATE 226395; CONAKRY 1779

1. DEPARTMENT WOULD AGREE THAT EMBASSY IS TECHNICALLY CORRECT IN SAYING THAT PAIGC DID NOT DECLARE INDEPENDENCE, BUT RATHER EXISTENCE OF THE STATE OF GUINEA BISSAU. FROM LEGAL STANDPOINT, HOWEVER, DISTINCTION SEEMS ARTIFICIAL SINCE INDEPENDENCE WOULD BE NECESSARY FACET OF SOVEREIGNTY WHICH IS ONE OF PEREQUISITES FOR RECOGNITION OF STATEHOOD. FROM PRACTICAL VIEWPOINT IT ALSO SEEMS THAT DIFFERENCE HAS NOW BECOME ACADEMIC. SIXTY-FOUR COUNTRIES HAVE RECOGNIZED

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GUINEA BISSAU, IT HAS BEEN ADMITTED TO OAU AND IT MAY SOON

BE SEEKING UN MEMBERSHIP. UN RESOLUTIONS ON RELATED MATTERS HAVE CITED GUINEA BISSAU'S "INDEPENDENCE". ALL OF GUINEA BISSAU'S SUPPORTERS REFER TO ITS INDEPENDENCE AND PAIGC REPRESENTATIVES GIVE NO INDICATION THAT THEY WISH TO COUNTER THAT IMPRESSION OR EVEN FEEL THAT THERE IS NOW ANY DISTINCTION BETWEEN EXISTENCE OF STATE AND INDEPENDENCE. DEPARTMENT IS LEFT WITH IMPRESSION THAT, FOR ALL PRACTICAL PURPOSES, PAIGC INTENDED TO ANNOUNCE INDEPENDENCE.

2. AS TO SUGGESTED GUIDANCE QUESTION POSED BY EMBASSY, IT IS MATTER OF RECORD THAT WE CONTINUE PUBLICLY TO URGE PORTUGAL TO SEEK PEACEFUL SOLUTION LEADING TO SELF-DETERMINATION FOR PEOPLES OF ITS AFRICAN TERRITORIES. PRIVATE

APPROACHES HAVE ALSO BEEN MADE TO PORTUGUESE IN PAST ON THIS MATTER, MOST NOTABLY DURING ASSISTANT SECRETARY NEWSOM'S VISIT TO PORTUGAL IN MARCH. PREVIOUS GUIDANCE HAS REFLECTED THESE POINTS. STATE 226395 ADDRESSED ITSELF ONLY TO THOSE POINTS STEMMING DIRECTLY FROM OTTAWAY ARTICLE. KISSINGER

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